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Doar Ms. Hesse,

Our country is experiencing a recession like we have not seen in decades. Many factors have contributed to our shaken economy, but the onset of the Microsoft antitrust case really bit into the NASDAQ, shaking confidence of investors and consumers. It is important to remember that for the first time in history, more than half of American citizens are invested in the stock markets. I am pleased to see the significant steps President George VV. Bush has taken to offset the panic of the American consumer in the form of tax rebates and tax cuts. We are fortunate to have such a proactive President in office.

Information regarding the lawsuit is readily available through every imaginable media source, and I couldn't help but notice that tech stocks parked up a little with news of the impending settlement. I appeal to your sense of good stewardship and ask you to endorse the settlement. I fear that further litigation and regulation will further damage our economy and morale. Rest assured that an end to this lawsuit would result in a collective sigh of relief from the entire nation.

Sincerely,

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